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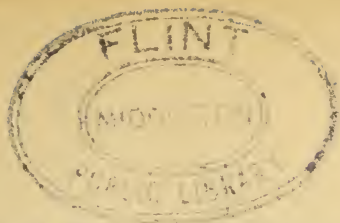


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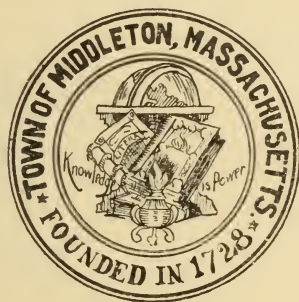
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SCHOOL DEPARTMENT.

Unexpended balance, Jan. 1, 1909,	\$ 458 20
Town appropriation,	2,450 00
Received from State for Superintendent's pay,	250 00
Received from State for tuition and transportation of State Ward children,	252 50
Appropriation for School Physician,	10 00
State School Fund,	1,258 41
Received from Dog Tax,	130 45
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	\$4,809 56
Clinton P. Stiles, for ringing church bell for No School signal,	5 00
Moses Peabody, transporting school children from Jan. 1, 1909 to Jan. 1, 1910,	975 00
Helen O. Locke, services as teacher,	474 00
Hazel E. Weston, services as teacher,	450 00
Nellie C. Howe, services as teacher,	507 00
C. Alice Manning, services as teacher,	534 00
Goldie London, teaching drawing,	60 00
Andrew S. Thomson, services as Superintendent of Schools,	320 00
George H. Smith, services as janitor,	445 00
Danvers Water Board, water,	30 00
Henry L. Stone, teaching music,	50 00

Prince T. Woods, school physician,	10 00	
Oscar H. Sheldon, coal,	202 50	
H. E. Howe, wood,	15 75	
Town of North Reading, transport-		
ing children,	57 00	
Frank B. Tyler, printing,	9 25	
Atwood & McGlauflin, sawing wood,	3 00	
	<u>\$4,147 50</u>	
Unexpended,	662 06	
		<u>\$4,809 56</u>

High School Department.

Amount received from State,	\$568 75	\$ 568 75
Due from State, Jan. 1, 1909,	587 50	
Paid Town of Danvers, tuition of pupils,	1,000 00	
		<u>\$1,587 50</u>

School Books and Supplies.

Town appropriation,	\$300 00	
Unexpended,	21 63	
		<u>\$321 63</u>
Ginn & Co., books, etc.,	\$ 98 04	
American Book Co.,	25 60	
Yamanaka Co.,	5 85	
Houghton, Mifflin & Co.,	1 28	
Edward E. Babb,	179 42	
	<u>\$310 19</u>	
Unexpended,	11 44	
		<u>\$321 63</u>

School Incidental Department.

Unexpended in 1906,	\$ 7 54	
Town appropriation,	400 00	
Special appropriation, painting in- side school house,	125 00	
	<u>\$532 54</u>	
Overdrawn,	<u>129 28</u>	
		\$661 82
Amount Overdrawn,	\$213 20	
Herbert O. Hatch, labor and material repairing water closet,	15 15	
James F. Dean, labor and material repairing furnace,	25 99	
George H. Smith, cash paid for faucet and carfare,	1 60	
George H. Smith, labor painting,	54 75	
M. E. Tyler, cash paid for freight, teaming, glass, putty, etc.,	11 24	
M. E. Tyler, lead, oil, varnish and material for painting,	28 14	
B. S. Chick, labor painting,	13 60	
W. P. Earley, labor and stock for repairs, new doors, etc.,	187 82	
Laura E. Peabody, taking school census,	8 50	
S. H. Davis & Co., hardware.	12 00	
Newcomb & Gauss, printing programs,	2 50	
B. J. Connors, piano stool,	2 00	
Mrs. A. M. Peabody, washing towels,	2 15	
H. M. Bixby, shades and hanging,	14 00	
Leland J. Ross, hardware,	5 75	
A. F. Killam, repairing piano,	1 00	
A. P. Tyler, cash paid for carfares, express and journeys out of town,	8 71	

Geo. E. Smith, labor and material,	11 80	
H. A. Wilkins & Sons, supplies,	5 97	
F. I. Gage, repairing clocks,	2 00	
Edward M. Tyler, labor on closets,	2 00	
A. W. Hastings, storm windows,	15 20	
Mrs. David Milbery, washing towels,	1 00	
Milo A. Newhall, printing reports,	14 08	
Byron S. Chick, labor on windows,	1 40	
		<u>\$661 82</u>

Special Appropriation.

FOR NOTE ON HEATING PLANT AT SCHOOL HOUSE.

Town appropriation,	\$210 00	
Unexpended,	6 62	
		<u>\$216 62</u>
Elmer A. Stevens, payment of note		
and interest,	\$205 25	
Unexpended,	11 37	
		<u>\$216 62</u>

CURRENT EXPENSE DEPARTMENT.

Town Officers.

H. E. Howe, services as Selectman making up town reports last year,	\$ 35 00
M. E. Tyler, services as Selectman on accounts of last year,	48 75
H. E. Howe, services as Selectman from Feb. 1 to March 1, special work and journeys out of town,	6 50
M. E. Tyler, special work and journeys out of town,	16 00
C. F. Floyd, services as Auditor,	15 00
H. K. Richardson, services as Assessor for 1908,	80 00
M. M. Merritt, balance due for services as Selectman to March 1,	10 00
M. E. Tyler, services as Selectman,	71 00
H. E. Howe, services as Selectman,	65 00
M. M. Merritt, services as Selectman,	10 00
H. K. Richardson, services for regular work as Assessor,	80 00
H. K. Richardson, services for revaluation of property,	24 00
H. K. Richardson, for special work directed by State Supervisor,	35 00
Prince T. Woods, services as School Committee,	26 25
A. P. Tyler, services as School Committee,	35 00

A. F. Henderson, services as School Committee,	35 00
H. E. Howe, for regular work as Assessor,	80 00
H. E. Howe, for revaluation of property,	25 00
H. E. Howe, for special work directed by State Supervisor,	39 00
M. E. Tyler, services for regular work as Assessor,	83 00
M. E. Tyler, for revaluation of property,	25 00
M. E. Tyler, for special work directed by State Supervisor,	54 75
B. T. McGlauflin, for services and cash paid as Overseer of Poor,	20 00
B. T. McGlauflin, Sealer of Weights and Measures,	10 00
H. E. Howe, services as Overseer of Poor,	35 00
S. A. Fletcher, services as Registrar,	10 00
S. A. Fletcher, administering oaths,	6 00
S. A. Fletcher, services as Town Treasurer,	75 00
S. A. Fletcher, services as Town Clerk,	15 00
A. W. Peabody, services as Overseer of Poor,	20 00
Oscar Cram, services as Constable and care of flag,	55 85
S. A. Fletcher, recording births, deaths and marriages,	13 00
M. E. Tyler, services as Registrar,	10 00
H. E. Howe, services as Registrar,	10 00

\$1,179 10

Miscellaneous.

M. M. Merritt, special visit to Fern- croft, May 1, 1908,	3 00
Leland J. Ross, pullies for street lamps,	50
Danvers Savings Bank, interest on notes,	75 00
Gilbert Barker Co., gasoline,	6 36
T. L. Jenkins, returning birth,	25
M. E. Tyler, cash paid Salem News, time and carfare to Boston,	6 50
Danvers Savings Bank, interest on note,	15 00
L. E. Collins, care of street lamps,	5 00
M. E. Tyler, use of team and cash paid for freight, postage, tele- phones, etc.,	4 77
Best Light Co., street light repairs,	3 24
Flint Public Library, interest on notes,	95 00
S. A. Fletcher, cash paid for Elec- tion Officers,	21 00
F. E. Moynahan, printing ballots,	7 50
Milo A. Newhall & Co., printing town reports,	42 24
Boston Book Co, abatement record book,	2 50
M. E. Tyler, cash paid for express and freight, teaming, etc.,	2 54
C. H. Odell, insurance,	80 00
L. E. Collins, care of street lamps,	2 50
Carter Ink Co., ink,	1 25
Milo A. Newhall & Co., stationery,	4 65
H. M. Dolbeare, Assessors' blanks and notices,	5 20
M. E. Tyler, cash paid for grapple irons, making signs, and team,	5 90
County Commissioners, advertising petition in Salem News,	3 00
John H. Morgan, services as special police,	5 00

L. E. Collins, care of street lamps,	2 50
A. G. Huntoon, collecting back taxes on the late Jesse Peabody books,	156 58
C. W. Bagley, grading back of hall,	10 00
Jophanas Adams, damage by break- ing through culvert on East street	10 00
M. E. Tyler, making Town Hall sign,	6 00
M. E. Tyler, use of teams and cash paid for carfares and postage,	3 01
H. E. Howe, use of teams and carfares,	9 83
Danvers Water Board, water for hall,	3 00
B. T. McGlauffin, cleaning cess pools at Town Hall,	5 00
H. M. Tyler, painting and raising flag staff,	10 00
Hobbs and Warren Co., blanks and notices,	3 95
M. E. Tyler, making four street signs,	5 28
Danvers Savings Bank, interest on note,	15 00
Hiram L. Hutchinson, interest on note,	80 00
John H. Morgan, services as special police,	10 00
Oscar H. Sheldon, cash and expense on stamps	1 49
Lilla D. Stott, abstract of transfers,	15 35
M. E. Tyler, cost paid for postage,	4 06
H. E. Howe, use of team,	4 50
Elmer A. Stevens, interest on Town note,	5 25
L. E. Collins, care of street lights,	5 00
John H. Morgan, services as special police,	10 00
L. G. Esty, cash paid for carfares, etc., as Water Pipe Committee	4 00
Henry A. Young cleaning and sup- plies for Town Hall,	9 60
George E. Barnaby, special police July 4th,	5 00
Henry A. Young, special police July 4th,	5 00
Sidney Perley, legal services on elec- tric light matters,	25 00

James H. Curtis, services as Moderator,	17 00
Best Light Co., street light repairs,	4 40
H. M. Dolbeare, printing cards,	1 50
F. E. Marsh, dry measure gauge,	1 50
George H. Smith, special police, July 4th,	5 00
Everett Bryer, special police July 4th,	5 00
Oscar H. Sheldon, special police July 4th,	5 00
Oscar H. Sheldon, coal for hall,	54 00
John H. Morgan, services as police,	7 50
John H. Morgan, services as police,	5 00
Pneumatic Stamp Co., stamp,	57
B. T. McGlaulin, time and carfare as Water Pipe Committee,	12 00
W. L. Gurley, weights and measures,	8 15
H. E. Howe, use of team,	4 00
H. M. Dolbeare, list of Assessors' polls,	7 00
M. E. Tyler, damage to wagon at fire,	1 60
Leland J. Ross, rope for church bell,	2 85
H. M. Dolbeare, printing tax bills and envelopes,	8 25
Hobbs & Warren Co., stationery,	1 59
M. E. Tyler, use of team and carfares,	6 77
Danvers Savings Bank, interest on notes,	75 00
Best Light Co., street light repairs,	1 08
John H. Morgan, services as police,	10 00
Hobbs & Warren Co., notices,	1 09
W. W. Richardson, burying dog killed by car,	1 00
Malden Specialty Co. sealer's acid,	1 00
W. A. Berry, changing Town Hall doors,	30 66
L. E. Collins, care of street lights,	7 50
H. E. Howe, team and carfare,	2 20
John H. Morgan, services as police,	10 00
M. E. Tyler, cash for freight and express and use of team,	5 70

Ernest S. Richardson, labor on torches,	50
B. T. McGlaulin, Sealer of Weights and Measures,	10 00
Gilbert Barker Co., gasoline,	7 22
Henry A. Young, care of Town Hall,	98 45
Danvers Water Board, use of whistle,	16 07
Danvers Water Board, water for Hall,	3 00
David I. Robinson, County tax,	1,124 59
John H. Morgan, police service,	10 00
Best Light Co., street lamp repairs,	3 50
John Q. Averill, Cattle Inspector,	50 00
S. A. Fletcher, cash paid for Election Officers at State Election,	27 00
L. E. Collins, care of street lights,	2 50
M. E. Tyler, cash for postage, express and use of team,	5 50
Elmer A. Stevens, State tax,	990 00
A. P. Tyler, interest on Emerson Fund note,	40 00
John H. Morgan, police service,	5 00
H. E. Howe, use of term and carfares,	2 30
H. M. Dolbeare, printing warrants,	2 25
Hobbs & Warren Co., tax book, etc.,	3 75
H. A. Wilkins & Sons, supplies for Firemen,	4 70
Best Light Co., street lamp repairs,	4 00
W. P. Earley, labor and material for extension of Hall stage,	18 75
A. G. Huntoon, collecting old taxes,	50 00
James H. Curtis, repairing water tank,	5 50
Hobbs & Warren Co., stationery,	4 15
Salem Evening News, advertising,	19 25
M. E. Tyler, time and expense out of town, postage and freight,	8 41
Guy P. Pope, insurance on moth workers,	56 25

A. G. Huntoon, land purchased by town at collector's sale,	24 92	
H. A. Wilkins & Sons, supplies for Election Officers,	6 26	— 398
H. A. Wilkins & Sons, supplies, street light and for hall,	24 37	
J. A. Atwood, services as Superintendent of burials and returning deaths,	14 24	
S. A. Fletcher, time and carfare to Ipswich,	3 00	
Elmer A. Stevens, Town note and interest, 1,515 00		
Danvers Savings Bank, interest on Town note,	29 00	
Henry A. Young, supplies for hall,	1 90	
S. A. Fletcher, carfares, postage and express,	4 02	
B. T. McGlauflin, care of street lamp,	10 00	
T. L. Jenkins, returning birth,	25	
Geo. W. Ewing, returning births,	1 75	
M. E. Tyler, cash paid for recording deeds and telephones,	2 70	
M. E. Tyler, special work on State Highway, work on South Main Street,	5 00	
B. T. McGlauflin, Inspector of Meat and Provisions,	20 00	
Oscar H. Sheldon, services and cash paid for forest fire work,	377 82	
		\$5,739 07
Cost of Forest fires,	377 82	
County tax,	1,124 59	
State tax,	990 00	
Payment for note to State,	1,500 00	
	\$3,992 41	
Actual miscellaneous expense,		\$1,746 66

Soldiers Relief Department.

Sarah P. Johnson,	\$36 00
Lucy W. Peabody,	24 00
W. W. Peabody,	24 00
Flora Dugan,	72 00
A. G. Huntoon, coal to Henry Peabody,	3 65
H. E. Howe, wood to B. F. Gould,	30 35
H. E. Howe, wood to Scott Wilkins,	5 00
City of Salem, aid to Geo. P. Melcher,	108 00
W. W. Richardson, coal to Henry Peabody,	7 30
Oscar H. Sheldon, coal to Scott Wilkins,	14 50
Town of Burlington, aid to Eunice G. Blodgett,	33 00
City of Woburn, aid to Eunice G. Blodgett,	29 04
Geo. W. Ewing, Medical aid to Flora Dugan,	11 50
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	\$398 34

Received from the Town of Andover,	
for aid to Mrs. Flora Dugan,	83 50
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\$314.84

State Aid Department.

B. F. Gould,	\$48 00
John Jones,	48 00
Sarah P. Johnson,	48 00
Mary A. Leavitt,	48 00
Alexander Murray,	48 00
Lucy W. Peabody,	48 00
Robert Rowley,	48 00
Mrs. Robert Rowley,	48 00
Henry Peabody,	58 00
Susan A. Stewart,	48 00
Annie J. Sheldon,	48 00
Miraett Shepard,	48 00

Scott Wilkins,	72 00
Henry F. White,	48 00
W. W. Peabody,	72 00
Elmira W. Flagg,	48 00
Kendall F. Richardson,	42 00
Frank Atwood,	28 00

\$896 00

Current Expense Account.

Town Officers,	\$1,179 10
Bills paid from Miscellaneous Department,	5,739 07
Soldiers' Relief,	398 34
State Aid,	896 00
Board of Health for Contagious Diseases,	220 80

\$8,433 37

Unexpended balance 1909,	\$2,204 24
Town appropriation,	1,200 00
Received from Town of Andover on account of Flora Dugan,	141 50
Oscar H. Sheldon, express license,	1 00
D. B. Bryer, for old lumber,	1 10
American Express, license,	1 00
Harris Goldstein, junk license,	2 00
Garrett Fitzgerald, junk license,	2 00
Charles H. Richardson, cemetery lot,	16 00
S. L. Stickney, license,	1 00
Richard D. Stewart, cemetery lot,	18 00
State Treasurer, Town Note,	1,479 97
State, for inspection of animals,	— 25 00
S. Goldman, junk license,	2 00
Max Merndall, junk license, one-half year,	1 00
Henry A. Young, use of hall,	103 75

Annie J. Sheldon, cemetery lot,	16 00	
Cash for ink,	30	
Corporation tax,	630 76	
National Bank tax,	107 99	
State Aid,	846 00	
Street Railway tax,	1,189 35	
William Thomas, grave in cemetery,	5 00	
Town of Danvers, Pond land tax,	84 00	
John T. Hood, express license,	1 00	
Received from Danvers National		
Bank for interest,	34 08	
B. T. McGlauffin, auctioneer license,	2 00	
	<u>\$8,116 04</u>	
Overdrawn,	319 33	
		<u>\$8,433 27</u>
Paid Danvers Savings Bank from		
back tax money collected Note		
issued in 1907 in anticipation		
of taxes,	\$1,500 00	\$1,500 00

Town Hall Account.

Henry A. Young, janitor,	98 45	
Henry A. Young, supplies,	1 90	
Danvers Water Board, water for hall,	6 00	
Oscar H. Sheldon, coal for hall,	54 00	
Henry A. Young, cleaning hall,	9 60	
H. A. Wilkins, supplies for hall,	19 81	
		<u>\$189 76</u>

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Cash received from Entertainment	
and Dances,	\$52 25

Cash received from I. O. R. M.,	35 90	
Cash received from Congregational Society,	15 60	
	<u>\$103 75</u>	
Balance against Town,	86 01	
		<u>\$189 76</u>

Board of Health Department Statement.

H. A. Whittier, filters for schoolhouse,	\$4 00	
J. A. Atwood, burial and expense of		
L. E. Collins' son, Lawrence,	35 00	
W. W. Richardson, wood and coal		
to L. E. Collins in diphtheria case,	7 40	
H. A. Wilkins & Sons, supplies to		
Collins family,	33 37	
Roland H. Peabody, milk to Collins		
family,	4 06	
J. F. Hayward, meat to Collins family,	13 49	
F. S. Noyes, fish to Collins family,	1 35	
George W. Ewing, medical aid to		
Collins family,	73 50	
George W. Ewing, disinfecting in		
diphtheria cases,	10 00	
Edward L. Rogers, drugs and disin-		
fectants in Richie and Collins cases,	28 69	
M. E. Tyler, services rendered,	5 00	
George W. Ewing, disinfecting school home,	5 00	
		<u>\$220 86</u>

State Highway Department.

W. H. Marshall, for labor and cash	
paid for same,	\$580 97
Beverly Granite Co., boundary stones,	10 00
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	\$590 97
Due from State,	400 00
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	\$190 97

Highway Department.

Unexpended,	930 38
Town appropriation,	300 00
B. & N. St. Ry. excise tax,	976 00
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	\$2,206 44
Dana Hardware Co., shovels,	\$ 2 25
W. P. Earley, snow plough,	19 00
F. F. Flint, storing road machine,	3 00
Byron Morrison, shoeing snow plough,	6 00
Geo. E. Currier, breaking out sidewalk,	3 20
James Q. Gallagher, sharpening tools, etc.,	9 35
Ames Plow Co., repairs,	4 75
M. B. Paige, drain pipe,	8 14
H. A. Wilkins & Sons, supplies,	5 00
Emery Goodwin, labor,	10 00
C. O. Currier, “	228 97
W. H. Downing, “	14 00
Geo. E. Soper, “	68 93
Ralph Richardson, “	44 76
Thomas Bott, “	8 00
Frank Evans, “	33 00
John H. Dowdell, “	4 60
Henry St. Jean, “	1 80

L. E. Collins,	labor	38 40
Ross Richardson,	"	36 40
Burton McGlauffin,	"	2 60
David L. Sheldon,	"	5 80
John Gregory,	"	2 20
Ralph Currier,	"	1 00
Herbert Currier,	"	60
Barnes Pine,	"	1 20
John P. Fuller,	"	28 50
Oscar H. Sheldon, labor and team,		236 77
George E. Currier, labor,		1 60
James Q. Gallagher, labor sharpening tools,		1 25
E. S. Hutchinson, team and labor,		66 20
Frank Currier, team,		93 34
Arthur Fuller,	labor,	2 80
Eugene Brown,	"	1 10
Maurice Margeson,	"	5 00
Wm. Freeman,	"	1 60
J. A. Margeson,	"	3 40
Frank Margeson,	"	3 40
George Durkee,	"	7 60
Frank Curtis,	"	74 60
Scott Wilkins,	"	15 20
James H. Derrah,	"	29 00
Forest Currier,	"	74 70
Geo. Margeson,	"	68 60
Charles B. Jackson,	"	81 40
Roy Peabody,	"	2 00
William Brown,	"	1 10
M. E. Tyler,	team,	11 20
Joseph Chandler,	"	5 40
Irving Hatch,	"	4 80
Geo. Ogden,	"	3 00
William Gould,	"	2 80

George Peabody, team	2 80
Moses Peabody, "	8 60
B. S. Foote, "	4 60
W. W. Richardson, "	38 49
Harry Richardson, "	91 10
A. M. Richardson, "	5 90
A. G. Huntoon, "	1 34
W. E. Sanford, "	32 70
John Jones, "	7 30
Ernest Curtis, "	8 40
Arthur Curtis, "	2 80
Harry Curtis, "	80
Charles Gould, "	9 00
H. E. Howe, "	6 00
M. W. Berry, "	13 80
Walter Clayton, "	3 00
James Rier, "	70
Arthur M. Peabody, "	3 50
W. E. Sanford, gravel,	2 70
Henry Fuller, "	27 15
Benjamin F. Brown, "	53 55
George E. Currier, "	12 15

 \$1,725 69

Unexpended,

 480 75

 \$2,206 44

Liquor Law Department.

Unexpended balance,

\$86 02

\$86 02

Bridge Department.

Town appropriation,	\$ 75 00	
Overdrawn,	67 29	
		\$142 29
Overdrawn last year,	\$36 45	
Charles O. Currier, labor and cash		
paid for same,	42 31	
M. J. Emerson, lumber,	6 65	
Calvin Putnum Lumber Co.	56 88	
		\$142 29

Sidewalk Department.

Unexpended,	\$ 17 97	
Town appropriation,	100 00	
		\$117 97
Charles O. Currier, labor,	\$ 25 17	
L. E. Collins, “	3 80	
Ross Richardson, “	3 60	
A. W. Peabody, gravel,	1 50	
Oscar H. Sheldon, man and team,	9 60	
Bert Jackson, labor,	2 20	
Ralph Richardson, “	9 00	
Harry Richardson, “	12 60	
Frank Currier, use of horse,	1 50	
Benjamin F. Brown, gravel,	1 50	
	\$70 47	
Unexpended,	47 50	
		\$117 97

Tree Warden.

Town appropriation,	\$100 00	
Overdrawn, this year	6 10	
		\$106 10
Overdrawn, last year	\$ 4 49	
James R. Kelley, trees,	16 00	
B. T. McGlauffin, labor and cash		
paid for same,	85 61	
		\$106 10

Gypsy and Brown-Tail Moths.

Town appropriation required by State,	\$ 307 67	
Received from State to balance last		
year and amount allotted for 1909,	1,405 26	
Error on last year's balance due from State,	8 84	
Received from S. A. Fletcher cash		
paid him for private work,	9 00	
Due for work done on private prop-		
erty, submitted to Tax Collector		
for collection	287 53	
		\$2,018 30
Balance due from State, Dec. 1, 1908,		
as per last year's report,	\$177 75	
H. A. Wilkins & Sons, supplies,	5 22	
Collins Hardware Co., for supplies,	10 90	
S. A. Fletcher, cash paid for carfare		
and administering oaths,	4 70	
Joseph Breck & Sons,	1 64	

Samuel Cabot, for creosote,	8	84
New York and Boston Bag Company,		
for burlap and twine,	98	85
Frost Insecticide Co., Tanglefoot, etc.,	48	87
Grasselli Chemical Co., paste,	6	38
Smith, Thayer & Co., for pump		
barrel and nozzles for spraying,	26	85
A. W. Chesterton Co., brushes,	9	00
James Q. Gallagher, repairing tools,	3	15
H. M. Dolbeare, circulars and envelopes,	3	25
M. E. Tyler, labor and cash paid for postage,	6	01
H. E. Howe, labor on notices,	3	75
L. E. Collins, labor,	283	26
W. E. Eaton, " "	66	50
David S. Sheldon, " "	278	64
Ross Richardson, " "	269	02
W. J. Gurley, " "	144	76
B. T. McGlauflin, labor, carfare, freight, etc ,	489	17
M. E. Tyler, horse hire,	14	76
Burton McGlauflin,	11	00
J. A. Atwood, labor,	6	25
John F. Higgins, " "	3	25
John Gregory, " "		88
W. W. Wilkins, " "		25
	\$1,982	90
Unexpended,	35	50
		\$2,018 40

Special Appropriation.

SHINGLING AND PAINTING TOWN HALL.

Unexpended on Town Hall, repairs		
last year,	\$ 32 39	
Town appropriation for shingling,	175 00	
Town appropriation for painting,	125 00	
		\$332 39
Calvin Putnam Lumber Company,		
for shingles and lumber for new steps,	\$127 25	
Edmund Dernier, for labor,	60 62	
H. A. Wilkins & Sons, nails etc.,	8 24	
Harley M. Tyler, for labor and		
stock, painting hall,	115 55	
George E. Smith, repairing chimneys,	12 80	
	\$324 46	
Unexpended,	7 93	
		\$332 39

Cemetery Department.

Unexpended last year,	\$ 14 09	
Town Appropriation,	175 00	
		\$189 09
J. A. Atwood, labor and cash paid for same,	\$185 90	
Unexpended,	3 19	
		\$189 09

Cemetery Trust Fund.

Interest on funds, deposited for care of private lots,	\$82 00	\$82 00
J. A. Atwood, care of private lots,	\$82 00	\$82 00

Poor Department.

Unexpended,	\$170 72	
Town Appropriation,	225 00	
		\$395 72
A. G. Huntoon, wood to Mrs. Dicoff,	\$1 50	
A. G. Huntoon, wood and coal to Mrs. Chandler,	9 50	
City of Boston, aid to Charles Goldthwaite,	31 43	
City of Salem, aid to Louise Dorothy Freeman,	66 00	
George W. Ewing, medical attend- ance to Joseph Chandler's children,	6 00	
Medical attendance to John Duboaz,	10 75	
John H. Morgan, assisting lady and children,	2 50	
H. A. Wilkins & Son, Mrs. Dicoff,	1 07	
Town of Peabody, board of Harriet Smith,	132 20	
Town of Danvers, aid to Angeline Rier,	26 00	
	\$286 95	
Unexpended,	108 77	
		\$395 72

Firemen's Department.

Town appropriation,	\$65 00	\$65 00
Oscar H. Sheldon, services and cash paid to firemen,	\$65 00	\$65 00

Fire Department.

Unexpended,	\$92 40	
Town appropriation,	100 00	
		\$192 40
H. A. Wilkins, supplies,	\$4 72	
Leland J. Ross,	12 50	
	\$17 22	
Unexpended,	175 18	
		\$192 40

Memorial Day.

Unexpended,	\$ 4 96	
Town appropriation,	100 00	
		\$104 96
J. A. Atwood, bills paid,	\$102 50	
Unexpended,	2 46	
		\$104 96

Special for Fares for High School Pupils.

Unexpended,	\$132 92	
Town appropriation,	235 00	
		\$367 92
Boston & Northern Street Railway, tickets,	\$234 50	
Unexpended,	133 42	
		\$367 92

Land on Lake Street by the Pond.

Unexpended balance last year,	\$11 80	
Overdrawn,	1 01	
		\$12 81

B. T. McGlauffin, cleaning up the land,	\$ 4 86	
H. E. Howe, cedar posts and rails for fence,	7 95	
		\$12 81
Amount assessed for part payments of Note of \$600, as per vote of town,	\$200 00	\$200 00
Paid Danvers Savings Bank,	\$200 00	\$200 00

Tax Collector's Department.

Unexpended,	\$20 00	
Overdrawn,	15 19	
		\$35 19
M. E. Tyler, for services rendered for A. G. Huntoon,	\$35 19	\$35 19
Salary assessed for collecting taxes for 1909,	\$150 00	\$150 00
John Gregory, services for collecting,	\$83 85	
Unexpended,	66 15	
		\$150 00

Summary of Orders on Town Treasurer.

Schools from Jan. 1, 1909 to Jan. 1, 1910,	\$4,147 50
High School Tuition,	1,000 00
School Books and Supplies,	310 19
Incidental School Expenses,	448 62
Note on Heating Plant and Interest,	205 25
Town Officers,	1,179 10
Miscellaneous Expenses,	1,746 66
Cost of Forest Fires,	377 82
County Tax,	1,124 59

State Tax,	990 00
State Note (in anticipation of taxes)	1,500 00
Danvers Savings Bank Note for money	
hired in 1907 in anticipation of taxes,	1,500 00
Board of Health,	220 86
Soldier's Relief,	398 34
Abatement on Taxes,	241 92
Highway Department including Snow Bills,	1,725 70
Bridge Department,	105 84
Sidewalk Department,	70 47
Tree Warden Department,	101 61
Gypsy and Brown-Tail Moth,	1,805 15
Special Appropriation for shingling	
and painting Town Hall,	324 46
Cemetery Department,	185 90
Cemetery Trust Fund,	82 00
Poor Department,	286 95
Firemen,	65 00
Fire Department,	17 22
Memorial Day Department,	102 50
High School Scholars' Tickets,	234 50
Note for part payment of land on	
Lake street and labor on land,	212 81
Tax Collector,	118 54
State Highway,	590 97
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	\$21,420 47

Overlay and Abatement on Taxes.

Balance on Overlay Jan. 1, 1909,	\$ 89 93
Overlay assessed in 1909,	350 00
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	\$439 93

A. G. Huntoon, abatement on taxes,	\$235 62	
John Gregory,	6 30	
	<u>\$241 92</u>	
Balance on Overlay,	<u>198 01</u>	
		\$439 93

Tax Collector's Report.

A. G. Huntoon, Tax Collector, in account with Town of Middleton:

Balance Tax List, 1903,	\$75 87	
Tax collected,	<u>72 37</u>	
Uncollected,		\$3 50
Balance Tax List, 1904,	\$82 73	
Tax collected,	<u>75 33</u>	
Uncollected,		\$7 40
Balance Tax List, 1905,	\$222 76	
Tax collected,	<u>219 31</u>	
Uncollected,		\$3 45
Balance Tax List, 1906,	\$374 92	
Tax collected,	<u>327 83</u>	
Uncollected,		\$47 09
Balance Tax List, 1907,	\$1,685 68	
Tax collected,	<u>1,619 68</u>	
Uncollected		\$66 00
Balance Tax List, 1908,	\$3,455 86	
Tax collected,	<u>3,336 35</u>	
Uncollected,		\$119 51

John Gregory, in account with Town of Middleton:

Tax List, 1909,	\$9,113 82	
Tax collected,	<u>5,664 81</u>	
Uncollected,		\$3,449 01

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Samuel A. Fletcher, Treasurer, in account with Trust Funds
for the care of Cemetery Lots.

	Lot No.	Fund	Bal. Last Year	Interest	Amount withdrawn	Bal. on Acct.
Atwood, L. Frank	360	\$100 00	\$115 98	\$ 4 66		\$120 64
Berry, Allen	112	125 00	127 16	5 12	\$3 00	129 28
Curtis, Phebe		50 00	52 02	1 04		53 06
Eaton, Irving L.	168	75 00	75 21	3 02	3 00	75 23
Fowler, Alonzo	12	100 00	103 90	4 16	3 50	104 56
Frame, L. Maria	516	125 00	125 00	3 77	3 00	125 77
Fuller, Jeremiah	70	75 00		1 30		76 30
Fuller, Sophronia	236	200 00	248 32	10 02	5 75	252 59
Gifford, William	180	100 00	108 10	4 36	3 50	108 96
Gould, Porter I.	414	100 00		1 00		101 00
Graves, D. Augustine	234	100 00	102 12	4 12	4 00	102 24
Hutchinson, Caroline A.	253	100 00	100 02	4 04	3 00	101 06
Hutchinson, Elisha P.		100 00		1 00		101 00
Hutchinson, George H.	182 }					
Peabody, Samuel	184 }	150 00		3 00		153 00
McIntire, Abram S.	132	75 00	76 21	3 06	3 50	75 77
McIntire, Annie M.	338	100 00	112 78	4 54	3 00	114 32
Peabody, S. Maria	584	100 00	102 08	4 12	3 50	102 70
Peabody, Samuel M.	204	100 00	102 08	4 12	3 50	102 70
Peabody, William M.		100 00	102 04	4 12		106 16
Phelps, William A.	148	100 00	104 40	4 20	3 50	105 10
Pike, Sarah I.	412	125 00	127 04	5 12	3 50	128 66
Richardson, Lucy G.	80	100 00	103 92	4 16	3 50	104 58
Russell, Persis B.	430	200 00	228 26	9 20	5 00	232 46
Soper, Polly A.	298	100 00				
Stiles, David		150 00	161 18	6 50	3 50	164 18
Stiles, Farnham,	10	100 00	100 02	4 04	3 00	101 06
Thomas, H. Amelia	64	75 00	75 71	3 04	3 00	75 75
Wellman, John A.	40	200 00	231 54	9 34	5 75	235 13
Weston, Samuel W.	36	200 00	269 02	10 86	5 50	274 38
Wilkins, Henry A.	254	100 00	104 40	4 20	3 50	105 10
						\$82 00

Samuel A. Fletcher, Treasurer in account with the Town of Middleton:

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To balance in Town Treasury,	
January 1, 1909,	\$2,580 29
“ “ from sale of land for	
Taxes in 1906,	34 34
Received from State Income of	
Mass. School Fund,	1,258 41
State Corporation tax,	630 76
“ National Bank tax,	107 99
“ State Aid tax,	846 00
“ Street Railway tax,	1,181 35
“ High School tuition,	568 75
“ for Gypsy Moth suppression,	1,405 26
“ Tuition of State children,	252 50
“ Inspection of animals,	25 00
“ Treasurer on discounted Note,	1,479 97
Town of Andover, for aid to	
Mrs. Flora Dugan,	141 50
Town of Danvers, for tax on land,	84 00
George K. Knowlton, towards	
salary of School Supenintendent	250 00
Estate of Porter I. Gould, en-	
dowment, for care of lot No. 414,	100 00
Estate of Polly A. Soper, en-	
dowment for care of lot No. 298,	100 00
Estate of George H. Hutchinson,	
endowment for care of lots	150.00
Nos. 182 and 184,	100 00
Mrs. Ann E. Hutchinson, endowment	
for care of Curtis lot,	50 00
Walter D. Hutchinson, endowment	
for care of lot No. 140,	100 00

Mrs. William B. Smith, endowment	
for care of lot No. 70,	50 00
Miss Sara Fuller, endowment for	
care of lot No. 70,	20 00
Daniel Fuller, endowment for	
care of lot No. 70,	5 00
Bank, interest on Endowment	
Funds for care of lots,	82 00
Charles H. Richardson, for	
cemetery lot No. 592,	16 00
Richard D. Stewart, for cemetery lot 592,	18 00
Annie J. Sheldon, for cemetery lot	16 00
William Thomas, for one grave in lot 216,	5 00
Danvers National Bank, for interest,	34 08
Essex Co. Treasurer, Dog tax refunded,	130 45
Henry A. Young, for use of hall,	103 75
Boston & Northern St. Railway,	
Excise tax,	976 06
William W. Richardson, rebate	
on 1908 payment,	9 00
Milton W. Berry, for moth work done,	4 00
Dr. J. M. Gaffey, " " " "	2 50
John Jones, " " " "	2 00
Benjamin F. Gould, " " "	50
Albert G. Huntoon, collector,	
cash over tax on land sold,	17 08
American Express license,	1 00
Oscar H. Sheldon, license,	1 00
John T. Hood, license,	1 00
Seaward Stickney, Druggist license,	1 00
Benjamin T. McGlauffin, Auctioneer's	
license,	2 00
John Jones, Butcher's license,	1 00
Harris Goldstein & Son, Junk license,	2 00

Garrett Fitzgerald, junk license,	2 00
Max Mandell, " "	1 00
S. Goldman & Co. " "	2 00
For Ink sold,	30
D. B. Bryer, for old lumber,	1 10
Albert G. Huntoon, Tax Collector,	6,016 42
John Gregory, Tax Collector,	5,339 92
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	\$24,209 28

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By cash paid on Selectmen's Orders,	\$21,420 79
" " " " State Aid Orders,	896 00
" Cemetery Endowments de-	
posited in Bank,	575 00
Balance in Treasury, Jan. 1, 1910,	1,317 49
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	\$24,209 28

SAMUEL A. FLETCHER, *Treasurer.***Assessors' Valuation of Property.**

Real Estate,	\$678,431 00
Personal Estate,	112,840 00
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	\$791,271 00
Number of polls, 259,	\$ 518 00
Rate of taxation, \$10.50 per \$1,000.	
Tax on real estate,	7,123 52
Tax on personal estate,	1,184 82
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Amount assessed on property includ-	
ing overlay,	\$8,826 34
Anticipated corporation tax money used,	681 92

Money paid by Town of Danvers for		
tax on land around pond,	84 00	
		\$9,592 26
Amount appropriated for the various departments as follows:		
Current expenses,	\$1,200 00	
Schools,	2,450 00	
School books and supplies,	300 00	
School incidentals and painting in-		
side of school-house,	525 00	
School physician,	10 00	
High School pupils' carfares,	235 00	
Cemetery,	175 00	
Note on school heating,	210 00	
Fire Department,	100 00	
Firemen,	65 00	
Highway,	300 00	
Bridges,	75 00	
Sidewalks,	100 00	
Brown-Tail and Gypsy Moth,	307 67	
Tree Warden,	100 00	
Shingling and painting Town Hall,	300 00	
Poor Department,	225 00	
Memorial Day,	100 00	
Note on Town Lake Street Park,	200 00	
Tax Collector,	150 00	
County Tax,	1,124 59	
State Tax,	990 00	
Overlay,	350 00	
		\$9,592 26

Financial Condition of the Town.**LIABILITIES.**

Notes against the Town, Hiram L.	
Hutchinson,	\$2,000 00
Flint Book fund,	2,000 00
B. F. Emerson fund,	800 00
Heating Plant note, (school house)	100 00
Danvers Savings Bank note, for purchase of land bordering lake,	400 00
Danvers Savings Bank note in an- ticipation of taxes,	1,500 00
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	\$6,800 00

ASSETS.

Balance in Treasury January 1, 1910,	\$1,317 49
Due from State, for State Aid,	896 00
Due from Boston & Northern for removal of snow,	85 31
Uncollected Taxes, on A. G. Hun- toon books, 1903 to 1908 inclusive,	
Uncollected taxes, on John Gregory books 1909,	3,449 01
Uncollected taxes in 1903,	3 50
Uncollected taxes in 1904,	7 40
Uncollected taxes in 1905,	3 45
Uncollected taxes in 1906,	47 09
Uncollected taxes in 1907,	66 00
Uncollected taxes in 1908,	119 51
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	\$5,994 79
Due from State, for work under small Town Act,	400 00
With the present liabilities and assets,	\$6,394 79
The balance against the Town is,	405 24
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	\$6,800 00

Schedule of Town Property.

Library building,	\$10,000 00
Library land,	1,000 00
Flint Public Library,	3,900 00
Town Hall,	4,000 00
School House,	6,600 00
Lock-up,	300 00
Fire apparatus,	1,250 00
Road machine,	150 00
Moth ladders and tools,	50 00
School books in use,	350 00
B. F. Emerson Fund,	11,390 80
Charles L. Flint Book Fund,	5,000 00
Cemetery,	1,800 00
Hearse and hearse house,	600 00
Hose house,	150 00
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	\$46,540 80

Auditor's Report.

Middleton, Mass., Feb. 8, 1910.

This is to certify that I have examined the accounts and books of the Town Officers and all bills and vouchers on which money has been paid from the Treasury of the Town for the year ending December 31, 1909, and find them to be correct.

CHARLES F. FLOYD, *Auditor.*

FLINT PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Librarian's Report.

Books in Library, February 1, 1909,	6,457
Books added by purchase,	89
Books added by gift of U. S. Government,	4
Books added by gift of State of Massachusetts,	12
Books added by gift of N. E. Historical Society,	8
Books added by gift of Jesse F. Fuller,	1
Books added by gift of Emmet Densmore, M. D.,	2
Books added by gift of Estate of Martha J. Averill,	1
Books added by gift of Towle Mfg. Company,	1
Books added by gift of British and Foreign Unit. Ass'n,	1
Books in the Library February 1, 1910,	6,576

Pamphlets.

Pamphlets in Library February 1, 1909,	876
Pamphlets received from U. S. Government,	9
Pamphlets received from State of Massachusetts,	7
Pamphlets received from Estate of Martha J. Averill,	1
Pamphlets received from Carnegie Hero Fund Commission,	1
Pamphlets received from Massachusetts Historical Society,	1
Pamphlets received from Syracuse Public Library,	1
Pamphlets received from Public Library, Boston,	1
Pamphlets received from Newton Public Library,	1
Pamphlets received from Abbot Pubic Library, Marblehead,	1
Pamphlets received from Memorial Hall, Andover,	1
Pamphlets received from Salem Public Library,	1

New names added to the list of patrons in Library,	64
Circulation of books for the year ending Feb. 1, 1910,	7,664
Largest circulation of books in any one month, July,	801
Smallest Circulation of books in any one month, December,	430
Number of books replaced,	13
Number of visitors registered,	85
Number of days the Library has been opened,	128

SAMUEL H. FLETCHER, *Librarian*.

Middleton, February 1, 1910.

Trustees' Report.

M. E. TYLER, *Treasurer*.

In account with the Flint Public Library.

Amount of Charles L. Flint Fund,	\$5,000 00	\$5,000 00
Notes against Town of Middleton,	\$2,000 00	
Deposited in bank,	3,000 00	
		\$5,000 00
Cash in hands of Treasurer, Feb. 1, 1909,	\$ 81 43	
Received from A. P. Tyler, from B. F.		
Emerson Fund,	439 54	
Received from S. A. Fletcher interest		
on Town Notes,	95 00	
Received from A. M. Richardson, for grass,	6 00	
Received from Danvers Savings Bank,	100 00	
Received from Warren Bank, Peabody,	75 00	
Received from S. A. Fletcher, for		
cards, fines, etc.,	12 74	
Received from Salem Savings Bank,	50 00	
		\$859 71

Amount of Bills paid from Flint Fund.

Charles E. Lauriat Co., books,	\$118 31
Library Bureau,	2 00
William H. Guild & Co., magazines,	45 30
Concordia Co., books,	30 00
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	\$195 61

Amount of Bills paid from Emerson Fund.

Samuel A. Fletcher, services as Librarian and Janitor,	\$250 00
S. A. Fletcher, cash for express, postage, paste, etc.,	11 88
Danvers Water Board,	7 00
W. W. Richardson, coal,	68 00
S. A. Fletcher, insurance,	134 21
Howard Clock Co., repairs on clock,	11 00
J. A. Atwood, care Emerson lot in cemetery, filling graves, etc.,	6 50
J. E. Ropes & Co., material and repairs on furnace,	17 05
Eugene L. Brown, care of lawn,	38 30
H. A. Wilkins & Sons, supplies,	1 72
B. T. McGlauffin, labor on cess pool,	1 00
W. W. Richardson, carting ashes,	1 75
Town of Middleton, moth work,	1 75
Gilbert & Barker Mfg. Co., gasoline,	23 81
R. G. Peabody, cash paid for flowers for B. F. Emerson lot,	3 00
F. J. Barnard & Co., repairing books,	30 79

M. E. Tyler, cash paid for freight, postage and carfares, labor and stock, varnishing vestibule,	8 99	
	\$616 75	
	195 61	
	812 36	
Cash on hand,	47 35	
		\$859 71
Cash in hands of Treasurer,	\$47 35	
Unexpended balance in banks,	332 26	
Int. due on Town notes,	95 00	
		\$474 61

MAURICE E. TYLER,
GALEN B. HOWE,
GEO. E. BARNABY,
HENRY A. YOUNG,
RALPH G. PEABODY,
SAMUEL A. FLETCHER,
Trustees of Public Library.

Trustees' Report.

The trustees of the B. F. Emerson Fund submit their twenty-first annual report.

INVESTMENT ACCOUNT.

Atchison R. R. preferred stock,	\$3,300 00
Atchison R. R. general mortgage bonds,	2,000 00
Western Telephone and Telegraph bonds,	1,000 00
Buffalo and Susquehanna R. R. bonds,	1,000 00
N. Y. Central R. R. mortgage bonds,	1,000 00
Town of Middleton note,	800 00
Salem Savings Bank,	682 91
Danvers Savings Bank,	807 81
Andover Savings Bank,	808 08
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	\$11,398 80

INCOME ACCOUNT.

Interest on Atchison stock,	\$165 00
“ “ Atchison bonds,	80 00
“ “ Buffalo & Susquehanna bonds,	45 00
“ “ N. Y. Central R. R. bonds,	40 00
“ “ Western Tel. & Tel. bonds,	50 00
“ “ Town note,	40 00
“ “ Danvers Savings Bank book,	31 34
“ “ Salem Savings Bank book,	26 50
“ “ Andover Savings Bank book,	31 36
Proceeds of Atchison rights,	34 54
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	\$543 74

ANSEL P. TYLER,
 SAMUEL A. FLETCHER,
 MILTON J. EMERSON,
 MAURICE E. TYLER,
 H. HERBERT WILKINS,
Trustees.

Estimates for Next Year.

The Finance Committee recommend the following sums to be raised to pay the expenses of the Town for the ensuing year:

Current expenses,	\$2,500 00
Schools,	2,300 00
School books and supplies,	300 00
School incidentals,	380 00
High School tuition,	650 00
School Physician,	10 00
Transportation of High School pupils,	175 00
Cemetery Department,	175 00
Note and interest on School Heating Note,	100 00
Firemen	65 00
And 25 cents per hour while on duty.	
Highway Department,	1,200 00
Bridge Department,	150 00
Sidewalks,	100 00
Brown-tail and Gypsy Moths,	316 51
Tree Warden,	200 00
Poor Department,	250 00
Memorial Day,	100 00
Extending water pipe in Cemetery,	35 00
Improving Pauper lot in Cemetery,	25 00
Repairing Hearse,	25 00
Special for improving Peabody Street, near river bridge,	200 00

TOWN MEETING WARRANT.

*Middleton ss. To Oscar Cram, Constable for the
Town of Middleton, in the County of Essex.*

GREETING.

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Middleton qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall in said Town, on

Monday, the Seventh day of March, next,

at six o'clock A. M., for the following purposes, viz :

To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting and all other meetings to be held under this warrant.

To choose by ballot the following town officers for the ensuing year, viz : Town Clerk, three Selectmen, one Assessor for three years, one Overseer of the Poor, for three years, one School Committee for three years, Highway Surveyor for one year, two trustees of Flint Public Library, for three years, Constable for one year, Treasurer, Tax Collector, Auditor, three Fence Viewers, Tree Warden, Superintendent of Burials, and Janitor for Town Hall.

Also on the same ballot to give in their votes, "Yes" or "No" in answer to the following question: Shall license be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?

The Polls will be opened at six o'clock A. M. and may be closed at 2.30 P. M.

You are hereby required to notify and warn said qualified inhabitants to meet subsequently, at the Town Hall on Wednesday, March 2, 1910 at 7.30 o'clock P. M. for the following purposes, viz :

ART. 1. To choose such other town officers as are required to be chosen annually.

ART. 2. To see how much money the town will raise to defray town charges the ensuing year and determine how the same shall be appropriated.

ART. 3. To see what action the Town will take in regard to enforcing the liquor law.

ART. 4. To see how much money the Town will raise for the observance of Memorial day.

ART. 5. To see what action the Town will take in regard to interest on taxes.

ART. 6. To see if the Town will by request of a committee appointed at a special Town Meeting held in Danvers on February 8, 1910, nominate a committee to confer with the Danvers committee in regard to some arrangement for a water supply for the Town of Middleton and its inhabitants.

ART. 7. To see if the Town will authorize the selectmen to employ counsel to appear before the Legislative Committee in favor of the Town on Senate Bill No. 79.

ART. 8. To see if the Town will vote to require the Highway Surveyor to provide a suitable quantity of sand and use the same on the sidewalks when covered with ice.

ART. 9. To see what action the Town will take in regard to compensation of Tax Collector.

ART. 10. To see what action the Town will take in regard to letting the Town Hall.

ART. 11. To see what action the Town will take concerning the cemetery.

ART. 12. To see what measures the Town will adopt for the removal of snow from the sidewalks.

ART. 13. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money for medical examiner for school children according to law.

ART. 14. To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer, under the direction of the selectmen, to hire such sums of money as may be necessary to meet current expenses in anticipation of taxes of the present year and payable therefrom.

ART 15. To see if the Town will authorize the Collector to use all means of collecting the taxes which Town Treasurer when appointed may use.

ART. 16. To see if the Town will pay for bonds required of Town officials.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one at the Town Hall and one at Centre Post Office and one at the Post Office in South Middleton in said Town seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting. Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of said meeting aforesaid.

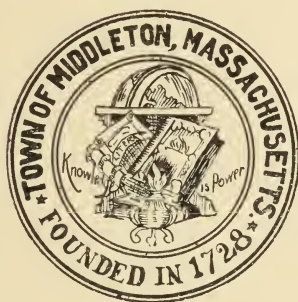
Given under our hands this 21st day of February,
A. D. 1910.

MAURICE E. TYLER,
H. ERSKINE HOWE,

Selectmen of Middleton.



ANNUAL REPORTS
OF THE
SCHOOL COMMITTEE
AND
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS
OF THE
TOWN OF MIDDLETON
FOR THE YEAR ENDING JANUARY 1, 1910



SALEM, MASS.
MILO A. NEWHALL & CO.
1910

Report of the School Committee.

To the Citizens of Middleton and the Secretary of the State Board of Education:—

It is again our duty and pleasure to prepare the annual report of the Middleton School Committee. This will be of a general character only, as a review of the school work in detail by Supt. Thomson is given in the pages which follow.

The School Committee organized for the year 1909-10 at the regular March meeting as follows:—Prince T. Woods, M. D., Chairman; Ansel P. Tyler, Secretary and Purchasing Agent; Albert F. Henderson, Special Visitor for Inspection of Schools.

The year just past has been a busy one. Changes were made in the school house doors to make them conform with the State laws for public buildings. Minor repairs were made both inside the building and on the roof, and there are still other repairs which need attention. The windows should be thoroughly overhauled to put in shape weakened and worn sash and casings. There is a small portion of the south wall of the cellar that is in need of repair before it breaks through.

Alterations in the heating and ventilating system, which were found necessary during the year, have proved very effective and the halls and school-rooms have been warm and comfortable at all times, with much better ventilation than before.

The janitor service has been excellent and because of the changes in the heating system, and careful operation of same, a saving of nearly eight tons of coal has been made in the cost of heating the building.

While Middleton schools rank well with others in the Commonwealth, and are superior to many in large cities outside of

the State, it must be remembered that to maintain good schools liberal support from the citizens is necessary. We therefore hope that the Town at its Annual Meeting will make a substantial appropriation for the support and maintenance of the Schools, so that the present high standard may continue to improve.

We have the same excellent corps of teachers and the same superintendent and all are doing good work. The special instructors in drawing, (Miss London) and music, (Mr. Stone,) have done exceptionally well and have been well sustained by the teachers of the several grades. We hope that the same working force can be retained for the coming year. It will be better for the Town and better for the schools. Changing teachers, when we already have good ones, should be avoided if possible.

Because of two fatal cases of diphtheria it was found necessary to close the schools for two weeks.

We regret exceedingly to be obliged to report that tardiness and absence from school on the part of pupils has been excessive during the year. This is a serious matter, to the prevention of which parents should give their careful attention. So far as possible they should co-operate with the teachers, and the committee, to secure better attendance and punctuality on the part of the pupils. Have them at school every school day if possible and **HAVE THEM ON TIME!**

The painting done inside the school-house has been a great improvement and it is to be hoped that the Town will make an appropriation for painting the exterior of the building.

The course in "The First Principles of Agriculture", which was introduced into the grammar grades on recommendation of the Chairman, has proved to be a success. As conducted by the Superintendent and teachers it has awakened much interest among the scholars, who are learning how things grow and how dependent we are upon the farm for our daily food.

The matter of transportation of school children still calls

for careful attention on the part of the committee. The conveyances should be kept in good repair and in a thoroughly sanitary condition. Ample provision should be made at all times for the comfort of the small passengers, who must take a long and sometimes cold ride—in order to reach school. Those who live on transportation routes should make a special effort to have their children on time, in order to avoid serious delays and to insure prompt arrival at the school.

We take this opportunity to thank the citizens for their cordial support during the past year and to again express our appreciation of the work done by all our teachers and the Superintendent of Schools. We hope that we have merited your approval and that you will show it by a liberal and substantial appropriation for the support and operation of Middleton schools. We look forward with the firm conviction that another year will show still better schools, better work and better progress.

Respectfully submitted,

MIDDLETON SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

PRINCE T. WOODS, M. D.
Chairman.

ANSEL P. TYLER,
Sec'y and Purchasing Agent.

ALBERT F. HENDERSON,
Special Visitor of Schools.

Report of the Superintendent of Schools.

To the School Committee:

GENTLEMEN:

It gives me pleasure to submit to you this my fifth annual report as Superintendent of Schools of the Town.

In making a report at this time, approximately the middle of the school year, we must of necessity cover the second half of the last school year, from January to June, and the former half of the present, from September to January and in planning for the year to come there must be a look ahead to ascertain the conditions of the schools for the next school year. It must also be borne in mind that by the law of the Commonwealth the statistical tables of school attendance cover the school year ending June, 1909.

The schools of Middleton have enjoyed two very prosperous years. The same corps of teachers has been retained and has maintained a standard of excellence in the work accomplished. The Town may be justly proud of its schools. The school officials who have visited Middleton during the last year have in several instances spoken in very complimentary terms of our work.

Just as this goes to print Miss Helen Lock of the Lower Grammar resigns to take a position in Malden.

TEACHERS' SALARIES.

In order to retain our teachers it has been necessary to increase their salaries. This money has been well spent. If a teacher of known excellence who has the power to inspire her pupils with ambition, and require their best efforts, can be retained by an increase of a dollar or two a week it will prove a

gain to the well being of the town. 'Teachers' salaries have of necessity advanced with the increased cost of living and Middleton must meet the increase if she wishes to maintain her standard of schools.

GRADUATION.

There were but two pupils to graduate from the Grammar school last spring; both of whom entered the Danvers High school. Owing to the small number of graduates the Grammar school undergraduates assisted in the closing exercises, furnishing the usual pleasing program.

ELEMENTARY AGRICULTURE.

Last spring a class in elementary agriculture was started. The principles of this very important and useful science were studied from a text book supplemented by some practical work done in the fields. Some successful grafting was performed by the children. There was only a beginning made and we hope to carry on grafting, pruning and other field work. During the present year weekly lessons have been given in the principles of agriculture. This work should be done in an experimental way but there is no room in which to perform the experiments. If a plot of ground could be secured, a school garden could be carried on with both pleasure and profit to the pupils. The great difficulty with a school garden is to get it cared for in the summer.

ARRANGEMENT OF SCHOOL.

In all probability there will not be accommodation for the three grades in the Grammar room next year. Some of the other rooms will be obliged to undertake three grades leaving two grades in the Grammar room.

DRINKING CUPS.

Since it has been pretty well established that the common drinking cup has been to blame for the spread of much conta-

gious disease, it would seem wise to establish a drinking fountain in each of the basements—the boys' and the girls'—and do away with the old cup used in the common. This can be done at slight expense.

MUSIC AND DRAWING.

The work in music and drawing has been conducted in a most commendable manner during the year. Pupils and teachers constantly receive fresh impulse to do their best because of the never failing zeal of the music supervisor. The reports of these special teachers will be found in the appendix.

ATTENDANCE.

Again, Middleton's low rate of attendance must be commented upon. Why we should fall behind in this matter is always a query with me. There seems to be a laxity on the part of parents to see to it that their children are in school every day. We trust for a decided improvement in this respect during the coming year.

The fidelity of the teachers to their work and their cordial attitude toward supervision make my day in Middleton always a pleasure. The pleasant relation with the school committee is very gratifying.

Respectfully submitted,

ANDREW S. THOMSON,
Supt. of Schools.

Report of Music Teacher.

MR. A. S. THOMSON, Supt. of Schools.

Dear Sir:

It gives me pleasure to write of the steady improvement in music in the Middleton school. Many voices show real musical quality, revealing a resonance and purity of tone very gratifying.

A marked improvement has taken place in sight singing; the greatest improvement, however, has been made in interpretation. Many of the pupils now perceive that the mere transformation of written symbols into sounds is not music, that real music must have feeling,—soul.

The teachers deserve much praise for their efficient work; they have not only entered into the spirit of the music themselves, but have been able to impart this spirit to their pupils.

I take this opportunity to thank the pupils for the cheerfulness they have evinced in their work, for the respect shown me and the attention given me, and for their many deeds of kindness,—all of which have greatly endeared them to me.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY L. STONE.

Report of Drawing Teacher.

MR. A. S. THOMSON, Supt. of Schools.
Middleton, Mass.

Dear Sir:

It gives me great pleasure to be able to say that the work in drawing, in the school, during the past year, has shown very good results. The children show the desire and willingness to express themselves by means of this language, and aided by the constant efforts of the teachers, we may hope to produce good work.

I wish to thank the Committee for their ready response to my suggestion in last year's report. We are now using the objects which I selected and find that they are supplying just what was missing in making object drawing more interesting to the children.

Another great help, would be a set of water-color tins, that is, small tin dishes in which to hold water during a painting lesson. At present we are laboring under difficulties in that particular direction, as the children are obliged to use an assorted set of china cups and ink-wells of all sizes. These tin dishes can be purchased for a very small sum.

I wish to thank the teachers for their interest and their ever ready assistance. Their co-operation is what is necessary to make the work successful.

Respectfully submitted,

GOLDIE LONDON.

School Calendar.

1910-1911.

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| March 25. | Schools close for spring vacation. |
| April 4. | Schools open for spring term. |
| June 17. | Schools close for summer vacation. |
| September 6. | Schools open for fall term. |
| November 23. | Schools close for Thanksgiving. |
| November 28. | Schools open for winter term. |
| December 23. | Schools close for Christmas. |
| Jan. 2, 1911. | Schools open. |
| March 24, “ | Schools close for spring vacation. |
| April 3, “ | Schools open. |

School Census.**SEPTEMBER, 1910.**

Number of children in town between 5 and 15 years of age.

Boys	.	.	.	93
Girls	.	.	.	88
Total,				181

Number of children between 7 and 14 years of age.

Boys	.	.	.	74
Girls	.	.	.	67
Total,				141

Number of illiterate minors over 14	.	.	.	0
" blind	.	.	.	0
" deaf	.	.	.	0
" feeble-minded	.	.	.	1

Roll of Honor.

The numbers after the names indicate the number of terms pupil has not been absent and stars indicate pupils have not been tardy.

GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

Madaline C. Brown 3 *	James M. Powers 1 *
Carolyn E. Henderson 2 **	Clarence Speed 1 *
Maggie Newman 1 *	Percy Roop 2 **
Elmer Campbell 3 ***	Roswell Wedgewood 1 *
Otto Currier 3	Myron Wilkins 2 **
Willie Hood 3 **	Chester Rogers 1 **
Frank Johnson 1 *	Pierce MacDonald 1
George Merrill 3 *	Albert Sheldon 1
Edward Phair 1 *	Raymond Godfrey 1

PRIMARY SCHOOL.

C. Elmer Rowley 1 *	Henrietta Brown 1
Dorothy Collins 2 **	Edward Bryer 1 *
A. Thurston Jackson 2 **	Frederick Maynard 1 *
Virgie Jackson 1 *	Grant Morrison 1 *
Lawrence Roope 1 *	Clarence Richardson 1 *

GRADES V AND VI.

Evelyn Brown 1 *	Bert Smith 1
Raymond Currier	Ruby Richardson 2 **
Milton Collins 1 *	Maud Bent 1
Florence Durkee 1 *	Ethel Fuller 1 *
Lloyd Hatch 1 *	Adelaide Morgan 1 *

GRADES III AND IV.

Lawrence Collins 2 **	Grace MacDonald *
Gladys Currier	Marion MacDonald *
Frank Currier	John Murphy 2 *
Fred Currier	William Phair 3 **
Aldene Gardner	Lucy Ritchie 3 **
George Hatch *	Lawrence St. Jean 2
Vessie Jackson 2 *	Mary Whiting *
Marguerite Kelley 2 **	Bernard Bent 1 *
Isabelle Durkee 1 *	

Sight and Hearing Test.

Number enrolled	.	.	.	.	.	148
“ defective eyesight	.	.	.	.	.	10
“ “ hearing	.	.	.	.	.	8
“ notices sent to parents	.	.	.	.	.	14

MIDDLETON GRAMMAR SCHOOL

Graduation Exercises June 17, 1909.

March

DOROTHY K. GORDON, MARGUERITE GODFREY, ROGER W. ESTY

"Off to Front"

"Wedding Chorus"

CHORUS

Prayer

REV. DORRALL LEE

"Conrad Doubt and the Priest"

CAROLYN E. HENDERSON

"Toussaint L'ouverture"

RAYMOND GODFREY

"Fairies' Moonlight Dance"

CHORUS

"Knee Deep in June"

CHESTER M. ROGERS

"The Victor at Marengo"

MARGUERITE GODFREY

"Deacon Jones' Grievance"

GEORGE E. MERRILL

"Come, Flit Around"

CHORUS

"Nauhaught, the Deacon"

MADELINE E. BROWN

"The Owl Critic"

MYRON O. WILKINS

Selection from Dickens' "Christmas Carol"

ERNEST J. BECKETT, PIERCE MACDONALD

Essay—"Our Territorial Growth"

EDWARD E. HATCH

Read by ALBERT A. SHELDON

"Autumn"

CHORUS

Presentation of Diplomas

SUPT. ANDREW S. THOMSON

"Wiegenlied"

CHORUS

Graduates

ERNEST JEWETT BECKETT

EDWARD EVERETT HATCH

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE.

YEAR, 1908-1909	Months and Days	Number Enrolled	Boys Enrolled	Girls Enrolled	Average Membership	Average Attendance	Per cent of Attendance	Number between 5 and 15 years	Number between 7 and 14 years	Number over 15 years	Number under 5 years
Grammar School	9-11	38	27	11	34	32	94	35	27	3	0
Lower Grammar	9-11	32	12	20	31	27	89	32	31	0	0
Upper Primary	9-11	50	26	24	45	41	91	50	50	0	0
Primary	9-11	41	24	17	32	30	91	38	10	0	3
Totals and Averages		161	89	72	142	121	91	155	118	3	3

TEACHERS, SCHOOLS, SALARIES, ETC., SEPTEMBER, 1909.

NAMES OF TEACHERS	SCHOOL	GRADES	SALARY		WHERE EDUCATED
Nellie C. Howe	Primary	I-II	\$13.00 per week		Salem Normal
C. Alice Manning	Grammar	VII-VIII-IX	14.00 "	"	Somerville High
Hazel E. Weston	Upper Primary	III-IV	12.00 "	"	Salem Normal
Helen O. Locke	Lower Grammar	V-VI	13.00 "	"	Salem Normal



